Recovery of unintended benefits

662. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2724 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1988 and state:

(a) the reasons for non-recovery of balance amount of unintended benefit worked out upto 31st December, 1983;

(b) how the amount recovered has been utilised with headwise break up along with the amount lying in balance;

(c) what are the basis of recovery of Rs. 42936 from Franco Indian when nothing has been shown as due from this company;

(d) by when total amount assessed from seven companies will be recovered and whether any time limit has been given to deposit the amount due;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(f) what is the progress of recovery from other companies which have overcharged the consumer;

(g) the details of amounts due worked out and by when the total amount due will be worked out; and

(h) the companies which have implemented the prices?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) The companies are paying the amount.

(b) The amount is distributed in accordance with the provisions of DPCO, 1979 and DPCO, 1987.

(c) The amount was paid by the company as directed by the Supreme Court.

(d) and (e) Recoveries will be completed after price reviews are disposed of.

(f) and (g) The special team is yet to assess the amounts recoverable from these companies. The amount recoverable from 3 more companies would be worked out after disposing their review petitions.

(h) To the extent information is available the companies have implemented the prices.

Composition and price of certain drugs

663. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3518 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th March, 1988 and state:

(a) what is the composition of Beflavin Tablets, Benadon Tablets, Arovit Tabs, drops and injections along with therapeutic indication of each;

(b) what is the name of each bulk drug from which each of these formulations are manufactured;

(c) whether these bulk drugs were under price control under DPCO, 1979;

(d) if so, the names of those along with price fixed for each;

(e) whether the price was fixed on the basis of cost-cum-technical study by BICP.

(f) if so, names of units the production of which was studied along with price recommended by BICP;

(g) whether the finished medicines were also under price control under DPCO, 1979; and

(h) if so, the date of price fixation and mark up allowed as well as the present price and percentage change?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) The required details to the extent available are given in the enclosed Statement-I (See below)

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f) The required details pertain to Drugs (Prices control) order, 1979 and are not readily available.

(g) Yes, Sir.

(h) As per the provisions of Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, manufacturers of non-scheduled formulations are free to revise the prices, however Govt. is keeping a watch and acts, wherever found necessary. The manufacturer of the referred formulations has reduced the prices after Government's intervention. The details are given in the enclosed statement-II.

Statement-I

S.No.	Name of the Formulation	Composition	Therapeutic Indication*
1	Beflavin Tablets	Vitamin B 2	Deficiency states of Vit. B_2
2	Benadon Tablets	Vitamin B 6	Deficiency states of Vit. B_6
3	Arovit Chewable Tablets	Vitamin A	Deficiency states of Vit. A.
4	Arovit Ampoules	Do.	Do.
5	Arovit Drops	Do.	D.

*As per Standard text books/Company's information

Statement-II

Sl.No.	Name of the formulation	Pack size	Price fixed by the Company after increasing it (Rs.)	Reduced price after Govt's. intervention (Rs.)	% change
1	Beflavin Tablets 10mg.	100's	18.47	13.00	— 29.6
2	Benadon Tablets 40mg.	20's	9.43	6.48	— 31.2
3	Do.	100's	32.81	21 00	— 36.0
4	Arovit Chewable Tablets	8's	5.32	4 88	— 24.8
5	Arovit Ampoules 100000 IU	2ml	27.68	18.10	— 34.8
6	Arovit Drops	7.5 ml	15.47	10 76	— 30.4